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## **CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED DRINKING WATER PROJECT FOR THE CRESTED BUTTE SOUTH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

The Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has conducted a review of the proposed drinking water project for the Crested Butte South Metropolitan District in accordance with EPA and the State of Colorado procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR Part 6) and the State of Colorado NEPA-like policy (SRF Operating Agreement). The State has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the State is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the above stated policies.

### Project Description:

The project is to construct a new well and well house with additional storage for equipment. The project will be funded by a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$500,000 at 2%. The project will increase the user rates by \$4.57 per tap per month.

The project by design will not increase the drinking water demand for the planning area.

### Criteria for Granting a Categorical Exclusion under 40 CFR parts 6.107 and 6.505

The action proposed will ensure compliance with current and future water treatment standards. The following criteria condition the allowance of the categorical exclusion for the proposed action:

- Construction of additional facilities adjacent to existing facilities which do not affect the degree or capacity of treatment by more than 30 percent of the existing population;
- Minor upgrades and expansion of existing water systems in communities of 10,000 population or less.

The documentation to support this decision will be on file at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division, in Denver, Colorado and is available for public scrutiny upon request. Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to:

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Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Steven H. Gunderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Steven H. Gunderson, Director  
Water Quality Control Division